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MSc ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE AND POLICY

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WHY STUDY AN MSc ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE AND POLICY?

The MSc in Environment, Heritage and Policy at the University of Stirling is a novel and innovative course of study that offers an ideal balance between the practical and intellectual elements of heritage and policy.

You can explore cultural, natural, tangible and intangible heritage with a particular focus on environmental history, whilst also developing a broad base of practical skills, both in the field and the classroom.

This interdisciplinary course straddles a number of different disciplines across a variety of faculties including history, politics, public relations and marketing, biological and environmental sciences, archaeology and social anthropology.

IS AN MSc ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE AND POLICY FOR ME?

Some students come to the course directly from undergraduate study in areas such as history, politics, archaeology, tourism, marketing and environmental science and geography. However, those already in employment are also strongly encouraged to apply. You may already work in the heritage sector and are aiming to upgrade your skills, or perhaps you have an interest in this particular area and are seeking a career change.

The course offers a part-time route which means those who are currently in employment can fit study around their job.

For further information on course content visit: stir.ac.uk/ip
Research and Employment Opportunities

The degree course is geared toward preparing students for employment in the heritage sector with graduates gaining positions in a variety of roles such as cultural heritage sites, natural heritage organisations and local museums.

Our links with industry are strong and you will benefit from hearing from guest speakers who are experts in their field and external partners who offer opportunities for work-based projects.

As a student on the course you will automatically belong to the Centre for Environment, Heritage and Policy, (stir.ac.uk/cehp) a broad umbrella that networks us altogether and offers you an immediate gateway into a vibrant research culture.

As well as career development the course is also an excellent stepping stone for students who wish to participate in further academic study. It provides a strong foundation for those wishing to pursue a PhD in this field of study.

You can find out more about funding opportunities at: stir.ac.uk/scholarships

“... My MSc in Environment, Heritage and Policy from Stirling University has given me a great grounding for a career in heritage. It gave me the opportunity to learn about many different aspects of the sector, from interpretation, to legislation and policy, to PR and marketing. Thought-provoking field trips, and carrying out my dissertation with support from a local landscape partnership were real highlights. “

Sophie Mc Donald
Former Student
The interdisciplinary nature of the course means you can straddle more than one discipline and gain wider, more diverse skills.

You will be taught by a strong team, with excellent industry links, from a number of different disciplines.

Field trips will allow you to take your learning outside of the classroom, while providing the opportunity to experience the Scottish environment firsthand.

You will benefit from working closely with the teaching team but also have the option to complete a work-based project involving real world research and dissemination.

Five reasons why you should choose this course:

1. The course has a strong emphasis on both the conceptual and the intellectual study of Heritage, Environment and Policy, which provides a fascinating and unique approach to the study of the subject.

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Delivery is by two weekly three hour-seminars and full and half-day field visits.

**Modules**

**Semester 1:**
- **Core Modules:**
  - Introduction to Heritage and Environment;
  - Heritage Theory and Practice; Project Skills.

**Semester 2:**
- **Option Modules:**
  - Heritage, Identity and Place; The Highlands and ‘the Roots of Green Consciousness’;
  - Protected Spaces: World Heritage Sites; Special Skills;
  - Managing the Heritage of Death and Worship;
  - Public Relations and the Marketing of Heritage; and Measuring Social Outcomes and Impacts.
  - Geo-archaeology of the North Atlantic (Orkney); ENHPPDS.

**Dissertation**
Students can choose to do a ‘directed’ or work-based placement project, which involves delivering a piece of work for an outside partner or they can write a 15,000-word traditional dissertation.

**KEY TEACHING STAFF**

Dr Catherine Mills is the course director. Her research interests are in cultural landscapes. Catherine leads a friendly and enthusiastic teaching team including Dr Paul Adderley, Dr Sally Foster, Prof Sian Jones, Prof Ian Simpson, Dr Phia Steyn, Jennie Morgan, Chiara Bonacchi and Philip Slavin.
**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

A minimum of a second-class Honours degree (2.1 preferred) or equivalent in a relevant subject is normally required.

Applicants without these formal qualifications but with significant and relevant work experience are encouraged to apply. If English is not your first language you will need to provide evidence of your proficiency in the English language.

**LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS**

If English is not your first language, you must provide evidence of your proficiency such as a minimum IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 in speaking and listening; 6.5 in reading and writing).

If you do not meet the required score, you may be able to register for one of our pre-sessional English courses.

To register you must hold a conditional offer for your course and have an IELTS score 0.5 or 1.0 below the required standard.

For more information, go to: stir.ac.uk/1ae

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**TUITION FEES AND FUNDING**

Details of tuition fees can be found at: stir.ac.uk/1lx

For Scottish students and EU domiciled students, this course is currently approved for PTFL (Postgraduate Tuition Fee Loan) funding from SAAS. For more information, please visit: saas.gov.uk

You can find up to date financial information and funding opportunities here: stir.ac.uk/scholarships

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